

EC St James' News

January 2019



Happy New Year!

Welcome back everyone! We hope you all had a lovely Christmas holiday.

The Children's Society Christingle Candles

A **BIG** thank you to everyone for your kind donations for the Children's Society. We raised a total of £348.00!

Special Assemblies

You are all welcome to join us on Fridays for our special assemblies at 8.50am each week. During these assemblies, children will receive special awards for their achievements that week. If your child is going to receive a Head Teacher's award you will also be notified by text message the day before.

Class Assemblies

Thank you for supporting your children at our class assemblies so far this academic year. The future dates for class assemblies are as follows:

Reception - Thurs, 24th January – 8:45-9:15am
Year 2 - Thurs, 31st January – 8:45-9:15am
Year 6 - Thurs, 14th February – 8:45-9:15am
Year 5 - Thurs, 14th March – 8:45-9:15am
Year 3 - Thurs, 21st March – 8:45-9:15am
Year 4 - Thurs, 16th May – 8:45-9:15am
Year 1 - Thurs, 6th June – 8:45-9:15am
Year 2 – Thurs, 27th June – 8:45-9:15am
Reception – Thurs, 11th July – 8:45-9:15am

The above dates may be subject to change

School Clubs

School clubs this half term are as follows:-
Mondays (pm) Y1-Y6 – Anna's Dance
Tuesdays (am) Reception-Y6 – Fitness
Tuesdays (pm) Reception-Y6 – Football
Wednesdays (pm) Reception-Y6 – Multi-Sports
Fridays (am) Reception-Y6 – Sports
Fridays (pm) Y3-Y6 – Chess
Fridays (pm) Dodgeball

The above clubs will run up to the half term holidays.

Music

Rehearsals will continue as follows:-

Thursdays Rock Band 3-4pm
Thursdays Choir 3-3:30pm
Fridays Orchestra 3-3:30pm

Holiday Sports Club

Adam & Tom are running another holiday sports club during February half term. The club will be subsidised due to funding left over from Oldham Opportunity Area Funding. Letters will be sent home soon.

Outdoor PE

This term Years 1-6 will continue outdoor PE lessons with Adam & Tom (weather permitting). Therefore, please could you provide a pair of plain navy tracksuit bottoms & plain navy tracksuit top and a pair of old trainers along with their indoor PE kit. These will be kept in school in your child's PE kit bag. Please send these items **(marked clearly with your child's name)** into school as soon as possible.

Please note: Reception class will not need to bring their outdoor PE kit as they will not be having PE lessons outside until after the Easter holidays.

Helpful Reminders: Letters to Parents

If you have mislaid any letters or if you think you may have missed any please check on our school website - www.st-james.oldham.sch.uk. You'll find our letters under Office – Letters to Parents.

Parking Outside School (including Brunswick St Entrance)

Please could parents take care when parking outside the school. Please **do not** park across the zig-zag lines as this makes it very unsafe for children and their families crossing the road and also for local residents. Also, please **do not** use the school car park to drop off or collect your child / children.

Dress Code

Please could we remind pupils of the following:-

School shoes only – no trainers or boots &

wellies for playing out in the snow

Small stud earrings only

No nail varnish

Shoulder-length hair tied back

Please may we also remind you to put your child's name in that **ALL** school uniform including PE/games kits and footwear need to be marked clearly. **Please note: we have a lost property bin in our Medical room which is overflowing with uniform and coats, hats & gloves.**

Absence Guidelines

If your child is absent please telephone school on the first day and follow their absence up with a letter or note in their KS2 planner on their return to school. It is essential you follow these guidelines as failure to do so could result in your child receiving an **unauthorised** absence. If you think you may have forgotten to send a follow-up absence letter please contact the school office.

DIARY DATES – Before Half Term

Wk Com Mon 14th Jan – School Clubs start until the half term holiday

Tues 15th Jan – Y2 Linking Project visit (children to be in school at the normal time)

Wed 16th Jan – Y1 trip leaving at 8:30am

Thurs 17th Jan – Y6 trip leaving at 8:30am

Wed 23rd Jan – Y2 trip leaving at 8.30am

Thur 24th Jan – Y5 trip leaving at 8.30am

Thur 24th Jan – Y3 science workshop

Thurs 24th Jan – Rec class assembly

Thurs 31st Jan – Y2 class assembly

Wk beg Mon 4th Feb – E-Safety Week & Children's Mental Health week

Tues 5th Feb – Internet Safety day

Thurs 14th Feb – Y6 class assembly

**School closes for the
half term holiday from
Friday, 15th February
and re-opens on
Monday 25th February**

DIARY DATES – After Half Term

Wk Com Mon 25th Feb – School re-opens

Wk Com Mon 4th-8th March – Book Fair

Mon 4th March – Class Photographs

Mon 4th March – Parents Evening

Wed 6th March – Parents Evening

Thurs 7th March – World Book Day

Thurs 14th March – Y5 class assembly

Thurs 21st March – Y3 class assembly

Thurs 4th April – Easter Disco

**School closes for the
Easter holiday from
Friday, 5th April
and re-opens on
Tuesday, 23rd April**

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